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Applicant(s) Srikanth Nagaraja

Examiner: *Abel J. J. Nerven*  
Unassigned

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Group Art Unit: 2183-2175

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS  
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Dated: 11/13/01 *Julie L. Watts*

REPLY TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY - FILING DATE GRANTED

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply - Filing Date Granted, enclosed herewith are the following:

1. a check in the amount of \$21.00 to cover the total additional claim fees for this application; and
2. Formal Drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84.

Although the Notice indicates that \$27.00 is due, Applicant submits that \$21.00 is the correct balance due as verified by the Initial Patent Examination Division (703-308-1202) via a telephonic conference on November 9, 2001.

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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 10/05/2001 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 09/25/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The required items noted below SHOULD be filed along with any items required above. The filing date of this nonprovisional application will be the date of receipt of the items required above.

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$27.
  - \$27 for 40 total claims over 20.

- The balance due by applicant is \$ 27.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. ( 5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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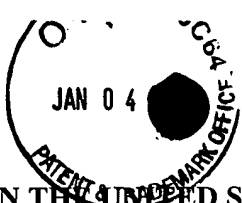
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**TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

Sir:

Attached please find five (5) sheets of formal drawings for the above-referenced application.

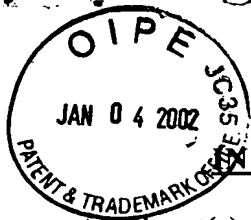
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**SECOND REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT**

Sir:

Applicant has received an official corrected Filing Receipt in connection with the  
above-identified application and notes the following error contained therein:

**ERRONEOUS INFORMATION:**

Srikanth Nagaraja, Residence Not Provided;  
India;

**CORRECT INFORMATION:**

Srikanth Nagaraja, Bangalore,

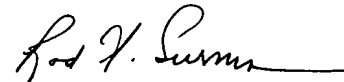
Attached is a copy of the official Corrected Filing Receipt received from the U.S.  
Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application (with the  
error noted in red ink) for which issuance of the second corrected Filing Receipt is

respectfully requested. In addition, in view of the submission of a Response to Notice of Missing Parts mailed on October 2, 2001, it is requested that the projected publication date be set forth on a second corrected Filing Receipt.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments relating to this Request, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number provided below.

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Applicant(s) BANGALORE, INDIA  
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Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

Foreign Applications

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Projected Publication Date: To Be Determined - pending completion of Missing Parts

Non-Publication Request: No

Early Publication Request: No

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Title

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